IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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For: ACCESS SYSTEM TO AN ITEM OF AUTOMATIC CONTROL EQUIPMENT VIA A WIRELESS PROXIMITY NETWORK

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following specification changes as noted below:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4, 6, 8 and 11 as follows:

4. (Amended) Access system according to claim 2, characterised in that the server communication means (27) of an item of server automatic control equipment (20) are waiting for a detection query (11) sent by at least one mobile device (10)

or at least one item of client automatic control equipment (20') on the proximity network (30).

- 6. (Amended) Access system according to claim 2, characterised in that the client communication means (26') of an item of client automatic control equipment (20') transmit detection queries (11) on the proximity network (30), in order to detect the presence of at least one item of server automatic control equipment (20) in the field of action (31) of the proximity network (30).
- 8. (Amended) Access system according to claim 5, characterised in that the server communication means (27) respond to a description query (12) transmitted by a mobile device (10) or by an item of client automatic control equipment (20') by returning a description response (22) which can include an identification and authentication of the automatic control equipment (20) and a list of the services offered by the automatic control equipment (20).
- 11. (Amended) Automatic control equipment characterised in that it communicates on a proximity network (30) by means of an access system according to claim 1.

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 remain pending herein. Claims 4, 6, 8 and 11 have been amended hereby.

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to eliminate multiply dependent claims from the above-identified application.

Examination of this application on its merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Claim Mark-ups

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- 4. (Amended) Access system according to claim 2 [or 3], characterised in that the server communication means (27) of an item of server automatic control equipment (20) are waiting for a detection query (11) sent by at least one mobile device (10) or at least one item of client automatic control equipment (20') on the proximity network (30).
- 6. (Amended) Access system according to claim 2 [or 3], characterised in that the client communication means (26') of an item of client automatic control equipment (20') transmit detection queries (11) on the proximity network (30), in order to detect the presence of at least one item of server automatic control equipment (20) in the field of action (31) of the proximity network (30).
- 8. (Amended) Access system according to claim 5 [any of claims 5 or 6], characterised in that the server communication means (27) respond to a description query (12) transmitted by a mobile device (10) or by an item of client automatic control

equipment (20') by returning a description response (22) which can include an identification and authentication of the automatic control equipment (20) and a list of the services offered by the automatic control equipment (20).

11. (Amended) Automatic control equipment characterised in that it communicates on a proximity network (30) by means of an access system according to claim 1. [any of the above claims].